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REPORT.

STATE TAX.

Paid Peter Sanborn, State Treasurer,	\$2,202 00
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COUNTY TAX.

Paid Jacob Manson, County Treasurer,	1,903 58
Amount paid State and County,	<u>\$4,105 58</u>

SCHOOLS.

School District No. 1	\$151 91
" " " 2	223 71
" " " 3	67 50
" " " 4	75 00
" " " 5	109 25
" " " 6	96 89
" " " 7	74 55
" " " 8	82 00
" " " 9	240 65
" " " 10	79 89
" " " 11	48 15
Amount paid the several School Districts,	<u>\$1,249 50</u>
	\$5,455 03

TOWN AND COUNTY PAUPERS.

To paid New Hampshire Asylum, for support of Harriet S. Cook,	\$36 54
County of Carroll, for board of Harriet S. Cook, and for conveyance from the Asylum to County House,	95 00

Sundry persons, for support of Rhoda K. Witham,	52 75
Alpheus Wiggin, for support of Polly Cloutman and Hadassa Seavey,	11 22
Samuel W. Roberts, for medical services at Hi- ram R. Waldron's,	33 25
Rosemandel Young, for support of David Camp- ernell and Betsey Dame,	23 85
John L. Perkins, for board of Nancy Edgerly,	1 82
N. H. Asylum, for Roxanna Jackson,	56 20
Town of Pembroke and R. Sanborn,	53 90
Samuel W. Roberts and Joseph B. Nichols for transient pauper,	8 50
Charles W. Abbott, for transient pauper,	5 00
Hiram R. Waldron, for board of Jane Waldron, 50 weeks,	50 00
Paid do. for board of Daniel Quimby, 52 weeks,	91 00
Paid do. for Mary Wentworth, 8 1-2 weeks,	16 62
Paid do. for Moses Copp, 3 2-7 weeks,	13 14
Paid do. for carrying County Paupers to County House,	6 00
Paid do. for Louisa Nutter, 1 year,	85 00
Enoch D. Yeaton, for coffin and box for C. Bick- ford,	15 00
John R. Downs, for board of Moses Copp, 2 weeks,	4 00
“ “ “ for support of Sally Philbrick,	43 34
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Whole amount paid for support of Paupers,	\$702 13

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

John Howell,	\$7 95	Ira J. Thompson,	\$9 00
Frank A. Doe,	3 75	James Tucker, 2d,	10 00
Joshua Brooks,	2 25	Joseph Hanson,	4 05
Samuel G. Wentworth,	5 10	William E. Tucker,	3 75
Samuel B. Ames,	6 00	John C. Waldron,	4 95
Phineas Wentworth,	5 70	Alpheus Nutter,	7 50
Waldron & Meserve,	9 37	John F. Wiggin,	1 50
Jonathan M. Burley,	2 99	George H. Gage,	3 37
Chesley Jenness,	1 60	Warren Foss,	87
Henry Norman,	1 87	George H. Jenness,	1 62
Peter Fountain,	75	George A. Came,	4 50

James D. Hutchins,	3 75	George W. Penny,	1 25
George W. Wyman,	4 60	Nahum Nason,	6 00
Charles F. Rines,	4 87	Jonathan M. Burley,	2 00
John Mee,	5 65	John J. Horne,	7 30
Satchell Weeks,	2 00	William H. Wyman,	6 00
Henry D. Lane,	5 00	Joseph G. Evans,	2 37
John W. Evans,	1 36	Mark I. Allen,	1 25
George H. Wiggin,	3 00	Nathaniel Garland,	1 50
John Kimball,	6 75	George C. Pike,	3 61
John F. Farnham,	3 50	Ira Hanson,	23 75
Daniel Brackett	16 00	James D. Hutchins,	4 50
J. & F. Horne,	3 60	John W. Sanborn,	64 02
William A. Maleham,	10 00	Joseph Smith,	8 30
Hiram Paul,	4 50	Benjamin Randall,	3 00
Charles Moulton,	14 50	James Mc N. Cook,	6 20
George F. Sceggel,	4 70	John W. Mathes,	16 85
Peter Cook,	4 25	Isaac D. Watson,	3 00
Daniel Brackett,	34 72	Isaac N. Fellows,	1 20
John R. Downs,	1 50	Hutchins & Colbath,	4 50
Whole amount paid for Roads and Bridges,			\$399 29

TOWN DEBT.

Hiram Lord,	\$583 00	Mahala Durrell,	387 60
William Lord,	212 00	Almira B. Penny,	256 91
Otis Wiswall,	39 40	John G. Sanborn,	404 19
John Paul,	24 00	David Grant,	268 31
E. L. Copp,	120 00	Joseph B. Wiggin,	200 00
A. & E. L. Copp,	1,038 21	Naney P. Hutchins,	85 25
Josiah H. Hobbs,	536 66	Jacob Locke,	50 00
Samuel W. Roberts,	157 34	William A. Maleham,	71 84
John S. Nason,	636 00	Oliver Seavey,	50 00
Harriet A. Maleham,	150 00	Martha B. Horne,	240 00
William Dunnells,	60 00	Z. S. Perkins,	552 54
Harriet A. Maleham,	606 00	Emily A. Cook,	41 50
Nathaniel Paul,	1,032 64	Lydia Burley,	58 42
Moses B. Canney,	532 00	Amasa Copp,	120 00
Calvin Sanborn,	31 10	Eliza Lane,	71 98
Elijah Horne,	83 66	Eliza Furber,	57 90
Usher B. Thompson,	1,025 00	Joseph Maleham,	276 28
Calvin Sanborn,	505 83	Oliver L. Allen,	340 47

Sally C. Weeks,	216 00	Joseph B. Wiggin,	64 00
Abbie G. Hutchins,	455 88	Jonathan Gage,	263 31
Susan A. Hutchins,	988 14	Samuel Yeaton,	16 00
Algernon S. Weeks,	75 79	William Sawyer,	6 00
Richard Rowe,	352 94	Sallie M. Wiggin,	1,080 00
Calvin Sanborn,	303 50	John G. Sanborn,	1,000 00
Algernon S. Weeks,	57 38	John W. Sanborn,	20 00
Whole amount paid on notes from March 1, 1870, to			
March 1, 1871,			\$15,804 97

BREAKING ROADS, 1870.

Dist. No. 1—JOHN W. EVANS, *Surveyor*.

John W. Evans,	\$6 40	Joseph G. Evans,	22 02
John W. Kimball,	6 12	George Pike,	6 36
Nathaniel Garland,	12 82		
			<hr/> \$53 73

Dist. No. 2—WILLIAM A. MALEHAM, *Acting Surveyor*.

William A. Maleham,	12 80	Edwin P. Farnham,	5 40
Charles H. Smith,	8 25	Algernon S. Weeks,	10 64
			<hr/> \$37 09

Dist. No. 3—SAMUEL COOK, *Surveyor*.

Samuel Cook,	11 20	James Mc N. Cook,	8 34
Paul Howard,	1 30	Joseph H. Allen,	10 10
James Tuttle,	18 95		
			<hr/> \$49 89

Dist. No. 4—JOHN W. MATHES, *Surveyor*.

John W. Mathes,	18 00	Isaac D. Watson,	6 30
George L. Wentworth,	30 27	Peter Cook,	16 94
John A. Cook, heirs of	12 38	George F. Sceggel,	5 10
Joseph B. Wiggin,	17 19	Joseph C. Hill,	1 35
			<hr/> \$107 53

Dist. No. 5—JOHN W. SANBORN, *Surveyor*.

John W. Sanborn,	6 77	Henry D. Lane,	10 20
Elisha Rollins,	3 81	Daniel Brackett,	2 64

Alvah H. Sawyer,	4 41	George H. Wiggin,	4 50
John T. Varney,	2 55	John Gilman, 2d,	6 16
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			\$41 04

Dist. No. 6—JONATHAN M. BURLEY, *Surveyor*.

Jonathan M. Burley,	14 99	Asa W. Hill,	7 24
James W. Hill,	10 03	Moses Perkins,	7 08
Henry Chase,	7 37	Nathaniel H. Cook,	8 22
Joshua Hill,	6 16		<hr/>
			\$61 09

Dist. No. 7—SAMUEL C. HORNE, *Surveyor*.

Samuel C. Horne,	5 20	Joshua Wyman,	5 80
John J. Horne,	2 59	John Mee,	5 25
George W. Wyman,	5 80		<hr/>
			\$24 16

Dist. No. 8—CHARLES E. BRACKETT, *Surveyor*.

Charles E. Brackett,	12 35	George W. Hutchins,	2 75
Jeremiah Ricker,	9 02	Herschell Moulton,	2 60
Robert Moulton,	9 34	Charles N. Hutchins,	1 50
Eben Chapman,	9 96	Thomas S. Bickford,	70
Charles Chapman,	9 51		<hr/>
			\$57 73

Dist. No. 9—NAHUM NASON, *Surveyor*.

Nahum Nason,	15 00	Andrew J. Robinson,	7 76
John Paul,	1 50		<hr/>
			\$24 26

Dist. No. 10—BRACKETT M. WEEKS, *Surveyor*.

Brackett M. Weeks,	8 83	Jacob Lock,	6 24
Isaac T. Clark,	12 21	William G. Allen,	2 40
John F. Weeks,	6 00	Nathan J. Weeks,	2 90
Phineas J. Weeks,	6 38		<hr/>
			\$44 96

Dist. No. 11—NATHANIEL MESERVE, *Surveyor*.

Nathaniel Meserve,	15 75	John C. Philbrick,	13 39
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Peter H. Campernell,	11 27	George W. Seward,	12 89
Jacob Ballard,	10 10	Stephen A. Wentworth,	4 16
Turner N. Seward,	10 62	Hiram R. Waldron,	1 40
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			\$79 58

Dist. No. 12—JOHN KIMBALL, *Surveyor*.

John Kimball,	5 50	James L. Libbey,	4 62
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			\$10 12

Dist. No. 13—ALFRED G. YOUNG, *Surveyor*.

Alfred G. Young,	8 80	Mayhew C. Davis,	5 80
George A. Wentworth,	3 42	Thomas L. Wentworth,	8 24
James Young,	8 24		
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			\$34 50

Dist. No. 14—HIRAM W. HUTCHINS, *Surveyor*.

Hiram W. Hutchins,	15 06	James T. Spinney,	10 10
John F. Garland,	13 90	John Hanson,	45
Joseph Spinney,	7 71		
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			\$47 28

Dist. No. 15—SAMUEL B. AMES, *Surveyor*.

Samuel B. Ames,	14 62	William E. Tucker,	7 80
Ira Hanson,	12 14	James Tucker, 2d,	2 70
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			\$37 26

Dist. No. 16—JOHN HOWELL, *Surveyor*.

John Howell,	6 63	Ira J. Thompson,	4 20
Frank A. Dore,	10 16		
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			\$20 99

Dist. No. 17—JOSHUA BROOKS, *Surveyor*.

Joshua Brooks,	13 50	Thomas Wood,	7 50
Morrill B. Smith,	14 50	William Gowen,	1 00
Alpheus Nutter,	15 00	Gilman P. Dore,	1 25
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			\$52 75

Dist. No. 18—GEORGE H. GAGE, *Surveyor*.

George H. Gage,	6 64	Thomas H. Johnson,	.55
Richman Richards,	4 79	John L. Perkins,	.25
John F. Farnham,	8 35		
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			\$20 58

Dist. No. 19—SIMON FERNALD, *Surveyor*.

Simon Fernald,	10 50	Daniel Young,	8 12
William B. Wentworth,	15 40	Daniel Campernell,	8 42
Peter C. Young,	1 80		
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			\$44 24

Dist. No. 20—EBENEZER GARVIN, *Surveyor*.

Ebenezer Garvin,	13 72	Nathan Libbey, heirs of	6 18
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			\$19 90

Dist. No. 21—JOSIAH WIGGIN, *Surveyor*.

Josiah Wiggin,	5 87	Charles West,	3 12
Frank J. Wiggin,	3 35		
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			\$12 34

Dist. No. 22—JOHN G. SANBORN, *Surveyor*.

John G. Sanborn,	13 96	Timothy H. Cloutman,	1 50
George Horne,	3 60	Alpheus Wiggin,	1 20
Thomas Cloutman,	4 90		
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			\$25 16

Dist. No. 23—JOHN R. DOWNS, *Surveyor*.

John R. Downs,	9 20	Charles A. Nutter,	2 20
Noah K. Nutter,	5 60	Frank J. Fellows,	4 18
Daniel M. Fellows,	1 32	Charles W. Page,	3 24
George F. Piper,	7 20	James P. Fellows,	4 62
George F. Fellows,	30	Isaac N. Fellows,	64
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			\$39 70

Dist. No. 25—CALVIN FARNHAM, *Surveyor*.

Calvin Farnham,	16 50	John Copp,	3 20
Aziah C. Willey,	37 00	James Pickering,	8 04
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			\$64 74

Dist. No. 26—SYLVESTER M. COOPER, *Surveyor*.

Sylvester M. Cooper,	15 13	Samuel B. Champion,	10 20
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			\$25 33

Dist. No. 27—JOHN GILMAN, *Surveyor*.

John Gilman,	7 00
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Dist. No. 28—JOHN C. WALDRON, *Surveyor*.

John C. Waldron,	8 95	Phineas Wentworth,	8 80
Joseph Hanson,	7 87	Samuel G. Wentworth,	12 62
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			\$38 24

Dist. No. 29—ASA M. BRACKETT, *Surveyor*.

Samuel Young,	55 80	William Hutchins,	1 87
Charles Moulton,	3 32	Jay H. Hall,	2 00
Robert H. Pike,	8 80	Charles H. Hall,	2 00
Benjamin Randall,	1 20	James D. Hutchins,	5 94
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			\$80 93

Dist. No. 30—CHARLES F. RINES, *Surveyor*.

Charles F. Rines,	\$10 47
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Dist. No. 31—JAMES SHOREY, *Surveyor*.

James Shorey,	9 69	Leander W. Lary,	10 70
Satchell Weeks,	5 08	Joseph Libbey,	6 22
George P. Dow,	6 98	Hubartes Neal,	2 59
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			\$41 26

Dist. No. 32—HIRAM JONES, *Surveyor*.

Josiah E. Archibald,	2 10	John Farnham,	10 49
Eben C. Farnham,	90	Mark N. Sibley,	6 67
Hiram H. Farnham,	4 03	Hiram Jones,	7 32
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			\$31 51

Josiah Wiggin,	8 30	Joseph Smith,	8 85
Lewis Roberts,	4 92		
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			\$22 07

Whole amount paid for break'g roads for the year 1870, \$1,267 90

ABATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1865.

Paid I. T. Clark, for Samuel F. Cummings, \$4 76

FOR THE YEAR 1867.

Paid I. T. Clark for Samuel F. Cummings,	75	
“ “ “ John H. Glidden,	2 70	
“ “ “ Frank Lane, paid in Dover,	4 08	
“ “ “ N. A. Burley, for Bales paid		
in Boston,	5 10	
“ “ “ George W. Came,	1 83	
“ “ “ Chesley Jenness,	7 59	
“ “ “ Robert McDaniels,	5 95	
Amount,	<hr/>	\$32 76

FOR THE YEAR 1868.

Paid I. T. Clark for James O. Applebee,	1 00
“ “ “ Heirs of Hanson L. Dore,	3 15
“ “ “ Heirs of James Dore,	3 15
“ “ “ Moses W. Grant,	3 86
“ “ “ Chesley Jenness,	9 37
“ “ “ Albra Merrill,	3 15
“ “ “ Leander P. Pickering,	3 15
“ “ “ John H. Richards,	3 15
“ “ “ Eleazer C. Colbath,	5 85
“ “ “ Lorinda Danforth,	2 10
“ “ “ John H. Glidden,	4 54
“ “ “ Edward G. Hanson,	10 40
“ “ “ Robert McDaniels,	5 59

"	"	" Aaron Nichols,	7 31
"	"	" John E. Pike,	3 15
"	"	" Eliphalet Willey,	26

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FOR THE YEAR 1869.

Paid Geo. H. Gage for	Joseph Bradley,	5 00
"	" Geo. A. Brown,	3 40
"	" Eleazer C. Colbath,	8 40
"	" George E. Cotton,	3 40
"	" John Dore, 2d,	1 00
"	" Charles E. Glidden,	3 40
"	" Thomas M. Hanson, paid in Mass.,	3 40
"	" Joseph S. Jenness,	5 22
"	" Aaron Nichols,	7 45
"	" Amon S. Reed,	5 68
"	" Gilbert M. Weeks, paid in Mass.,	3 40
"	" Charles E. Wood,	3 40
"	" Jonathan Woodman,	4 68
"	" Heirs of Edward West,	10 00
"	" Geo. Hannaford, paid in Mass.,	3 40
"	" Abraham Marland, paid in Milton,	3 40
"	" Joseph E. Campernell,	4 04
"	" Albert H. Cook,	3 40
"	" Silas E. Davis,	4 40
"	" Charles S. Fellows,	3 40
"	" Rufus K. Hanson, paid in Mass.,	3 40
"	" Chesley Jenness, Jr., paid in Dover,	3 40
"	" James W. Merrill,	17 12
"	" Leander P. Pickering,	3 40
"	" Ichabod Rogers,	3 40
"	" Ezra Wentworth,	3 40
"	" James L. Wentworth,	8 03
"	" John Edgcomb,	3 40

"	"	" Alfred R. Whitney,	1 82	
"	"	" Charles Moulton, error in assessment,	31 00	
Amount abated.			<hr/>	\$168 24

FOR THE YEAR 1870.

Geo. H. Gage for Adam Brown, over assessed,	7 82	
" " Joseph E. Campernell,	4 59	
" " Asa M. Farnham,	6 04	
" " George A. Parsons,	3 63	
" " John H. Richards, pd. in Mass.,	3 63	
" " Abigail Cook,	2 90	
" " Frank Marston,	3 14	
" " Nathaniel Piper,	3 63	
" " Herbert D. Tasker,	3 63	
" " Robert M. Whitney,	3 63	
" " Nancy P. Hutchins, over taxed,	1 00	
Amount abated,	<hr/>	\$43 64

RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

Paid Satchell Weeks, for 1870,	17 91	
N. D. Adams, ministerial fund for '68 and '70,	35 82	
Amount,	<hr/>	\$53 73

DOG TAX FUND.

Samuel B. Ames, for 1 sheep,	3 00	
Daniel Farnham, for 3 sheep,	9 00	
Joseph G. Evans, for 1 sheep,	3 00	
Hiram Paul, for do.	3 00	
Ira Hanson, for do.	3 00	
James Tuttle, for do.	3 00	
Joshua Brooks, for do.	3 00	
Edward B. Farnham, for 3 sheep,	9 00	
Amount paid for sheep,	<hr/>	\$36 00

Paid the following named persons, for Watering places, three dollars each.

John Gilman,	John W. Mathes,	
Leander W. Lary,	Turner N. Seward.	
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		\$12 00

OUTSTANDING ROAD BILLS.

Luther G. Cate,	71 66	Asa M. Brackett,	12 75
Jay H. Hall,	2 50	William Hutchins,	4 50
Isaac T. Clark,	3 00	John J. Horn,	1 00
Rufus Hanson,	5 00	John G. Sanborn,	5 00
Moses Perkins,	6 50	Joseph Smith,	11 03
James L. Libbey,	3 06		
Amount paid on outstanding road bills,			<hr/> \$126 00

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Edwin A. Hills, for printing reports,	65 00	
E. J. Lane, for surveyor's books, &c.,	8 02	
William Sawyer,	1 09	
E. Garvin, for paper, pens and wood,	2 64	
Andrew J. Milliken,	1 82	
E. A. Hills, for check lists,	9 00	
Amount,	<hr/>	\$87 57

SUNDRY BILLS.

John W. Sanborn, for taking depositions relative to County paupers,	5 00
Joseph Maleham, for loss of house,	6 00
Charles W. Page, for loss of cow,	96
Henry D. Lane, " "	71
John W. Evans, " "	77
William W. Berry, " of steer,	73
Joseph G. Evans, " of hog,	38
I. T. Clark, services as collector of taxes for the year '67 and '68,	1 20
Ebenezer Garyin, for money paid to transient paupers,	4 25
O. L. Allen, for the use of \$200, 1 month	1 00
Peter Sanborn, balance of State Tax, for the year 1869,	200 00
Hiram R. Waldron, for making clothes for County paupers,	1 00
Thomas Nutter, damage to self and wagon,	175 00
Ebenezer Garvin, trip to Concord and Pembroke, 3 days,	6 00

For car fare to and from Concord, and for horse hire and hotel bill at Suncook, relative to R. Jackson,	15 10	
Alvah H. Sawyer, Auditor,	2 00	
Morrill B. Smith, "	2 00	
John W. Sanborn, "	2 00	
Luther D. Sawyer,	12 00	
Benjamin Edgerly, for damage to horse,	7 00	
George H. Gage, non-resident highway taxes paid in labor,	58 00	
Newell Flanders, damage to wagon,	5 00	
Whole amount paid on sundry bills,	—	\$624 90

TOWN OFFICERS.

Nathaniel Barker, Superintending School Committee,	26 00
Ebenezer Garvin, Treasurer,	10 00
A. J. Milliken, Town Clerk,	13 27

Ebenezer Garvin, Selectman,	
March To preparing report for annual town meeting,	3 00
March 12, 1-2 day at office,	1 00
trip to Dover with reports,	3 00
March 15, carrying transient pauper to depot,	2 00
" 26, 1-2 day at office,	1 00
April 7 days taking inventory,	14 00
" 5 days making taxes,	10 00
" examining records relative to County paupers,	2 00
" 2 days at Ossipee with horse,	4 00
" hotel bill,	3 00
" paid Loami Hardy, for copy of Deed,	75
" express on six letters, relative to County paupers,	90
June 1 day with horse, to hire money,	2 50
July 1 day " " for A. Copp,	2 50
" copying inventory,	5 00
" dividing school money,	2 00
Sept. 13, trip to Parsonsfield with horse,	3 00

	expenses,	1 50
Oct. 8,	1-2 day at office,	1 00
" 9,	1 day to hire money to pay Wm. & H. Lord,	2 00
" 18,	trip to Ossipee to settle pauper bills,	3 00
" 29,	trip to the Corner,	1 00
Dec. 17,	1-2 day at the Corner,	1 00
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Jan. 7,	1-2 day at office,	1 00
Feb. 9,	1-2 day at office,	1 00
" 17,	trip to Ossipee,	2 00
	expenses,	1 50
"	trip to New Durham, to pay note,	2 00
"	6 days at office,	12 00

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James Mc N. Cook, Selectman,

March 12,	1-2 day at office,	1 00
	16, 1 day to north part of town and Wake- field Corner,	2 00
	26, 1-2 day at office,	1 00
April 1,	1 day taking inventory,	2 00
2,	" "	2 00
	6, 1-2 day at office,	1 00
	6, 1-2 day taking inventory,	1 00
	7, 1 day "	2 00
	8, 1-2 day "	1 00
	8, 1-2 day to Alfred Young, James Young and Thomas L. Wentworth,	1 00
	11, 1 day at office,	2 00
	12, "	2 00
	13, "	2 00
	14, "	2 00
	15, "	2 00
May 13,	1 day distributing Surveyor's list,	2 00
June 5,	1-2 day to north part of town on road, horse hire,	1 00
Aug. 8,	1-2 day to north part of town,	1 00
	12, 1 day to north part of town, and to Os- sipee to pauper and get doctor,	3 00

	27, 1-2 day at office,	1 00	
Sept.	27, 1 day to Parsonsfield,	2 00	
Oct.	6, 1 day to north part of town to examine road on petition of Dore and others,	2 00	
	8, drawing jury,	1 00	
	22, 1-2 day at office,	1 00	
Nov.	11, self and horse to Ossipee,	2 50	
	26, 1-2 day at office,	1 00	
Dec.	10, " "	1 00	
	16, 1 day collecting bills,	2 00	
	17, 1-2 day at office,	1 00	
Jan.	7, " "	1 00	
	11, 1-2 day to Effingham,	1 00	
	21, 1-2 day at office,	1 00	
Feb.	2 1-2 days at office,	5 00	
	6 days settling Town account, and pre- paring same for publication,	12 00	
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			\$66 50

James Tucker, Selectman,

March	1 1-2 days at office,	3 00	
April	5 days taking invent'y and making taxes, 10 00 trip to Milton, searching records relative to pauper,	2 00	
	19, 1 day on road during freshet,	1 50	
May	1-2 day at office,	1 00	
June	3, trip to Dore Hill,	2 00	
Aug.	31, 1-2 day at Allen Bridge, &c.,	1 00	
Sept.	13, trip to Parsonsfield,	2 00	
Oct.	trip to north part of town,	2 00	
Nov. & Feb.	1 1-2 days at office,	3 00	
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			\$27 50

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BY RECEIVED.

1870.			CR.
March 12.	Received of Treasurer, for the year 1869,		\$799 37
"	"	Sallie M. Wiggin, on Town Note,	1,000 00
"	"	John S. Nason	" 600 00
April 1.	"	Joseph Maleham	" 336 28
"	"	Harriet A. Maleham	" 1,306 00
" 14.	"	Joseph Maleham	" 453 12
"	"	Sarah Y. Cook	" 175 00
"	"	Mahala Durrell	" 387 00
"	"	Sallie C. Weeks	" 300 00
"	"	Frank S. Weeks	" 82 00
"	"	Algernon S. Weeks	" 133 00
" 16.	"	Lizzie Pike	" 150 00
"	"	Martha Webster	" 150 00
"	"	Mary L. Perkins	" 150 00
"	"	Susan A. Pike	" 150 00
May 17.	"	Betsey G. Young	" 50 00
June 1.	"	Elijah Horn	" 200 00
"	"	Nancy P. Hutchins	" 71 00
" 8.	"	John G. Sanborn	" 700 00
" 12.	"	Abbie G. Hutchins	" 455 88
"	"	Susan A. Hutchins	" 988 14
August 2.	"	Jonas Moulton	" 400 00
" 25.	"	Phineas J. Weeks	" 200 00
Sept. 13.	"	Charles F. Rines	" 300 00
Oct. 13.	"	Samuel W. Roberts	" 155 00
" 18.	"	Susan A. Nason	" 100 00
Dec. 3.	"	Josiah H. Hobbs	" 700 00
" 8.	"	John G. Sanborn	" 1,000 00
"	"	Algernon S. Weeks	" 50 00
" 24.	"	Jonathan M. Burley	" 800 00
1871.			
Jan. 14.	"	Almira Pike	" 100 00
Feb. 4.	"	Burrows Drew	" 100 00
" 14.	"	Oliver L. Allen	" 540 47
"	"	Jonathan Gage	" 263 31

Whole amount received on Town Notes and Treasurer
of last year \$13,345 57

Received of William A. Malcham	56 64
“ Peter Sanborn, U. S. Bounty	62 40
“ “ “ Literary Fund	88 74
“ “ “ Savings “	218 15
“ County of Carroll	415 00
“ Town of Milton, for Rhoda K. Witham	55 58
“ William Sawyer	28 74
“ Isaac T. Clark, for the year 1865	4 76
“ “ “ 1866	2 20
“ “ “ 1867	117 43
“ “ “ 1868	515 01
“ James Tucker, for bridge timber used in Highway Dist. No. 29	27 50
“ George H. Gage, on Tax List for 1869	2298 84
“ “ “ 1870	8662 62
“ for use of Town Hall	1 00

Amount received by the Treasurer, from March 1st,
1870, to March 1st, 1871 \$25,900 18

Amount paid out 25,015 24

Cash in hands of Treasurer March 1st, 1871 \$884 94

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD FOR LIABILITIES.

Dr.

Due the several School Districts, money unexpended for the year 1870	\$134 26
“ the Freewill Baptist Society, proportion of Minis- terial Fund for 1867 and 1870	35 82
“ the several School Districts, interest on School Fund for 1871	44 75
“ the several religious societies, interest on Minis- terial fund for 1871	53 73
“ Oliver L. Allen, note and interest	540 90
“ James O. Applebee, note and interest	145 00
“ Emily A. Cook	300 00
“ John Clark	1,058 40
“ Eliza Furber	400 00
“ Mahala Durrell	414 00
“ Mary Garland	73 00
“ Jonathan Gage	263 31

" Harriet A. Maleham	1,250 00
" Sarah Y. Cook	184 00
" Sallie C. Weeks	320 00
" Algernon S. Weeks	142 00
" Lizzie Pike	160 00
" Martha Webster	160 00
" Susan A. Pike	160 00
" Elijah Horne	720 00
" Betsey G. Young	52 25
" Nancy P. Hutchins	73 50
" Abbie G. Hutchins	483 21
" Susan A. Hutchins	1,032 46
" Jonas Moulton	414 00
" Phineas J. Weeks	206 00
" Mary L. Perkins, note and interest	160 00
" Charles F. Rines " "	307 50
" Susan A. Nason " "	102 25
" Josiah H. Hobbs " "	710 50
" Algernon S. Weeks " "	50 75
" Jonathan M. Burley " "	809 00
" Frank S. Weeks " "	85 89
" Almira Pike, on Town Note	100 75
" Burrows Drew " " "	100 50
" Betsey L. Hutchins, on Town Note	270 00
" Martha B. Horn "	140 00
" Frank Hobbs "	1,600 00
" Eliza A. Lane "	400 00
" Sarah A. Kimball "	275 00
" Harrison Libbey	1,520 00
" Theophilus W. Lyford	910 00
" E. H. Paul	112 00
" A. D. Paul	702 00
" John Paul	300 00
" A. B. Penny	220 00
" Sarah Quimby	128 00
" Annie H. Sawyer	700 00
" Oliver Seavey	330 00
" Joseph B. Wiggin	800 00
" Otis Wiswall	220 00
" Samuel Yeaton	200 00

1113
 9113
 1500

" Lydia Burley	1,026 00
Will be due the Heirs of A Copp, April 1 1871	2,000 00
Due Lydia Gilman, on note	528 00
" Albert L. Dow, Note and Interest	108 00
" Jacob Lock " "	56 00
" Nathan J. Weeks " "	109 50
" John Clark	109 00
" Sylvester G. Canney	534 00
" Lyman Buzzell	583 00
Will be due on the note of Amy W. Sanborn, April 1 1871	1,000 00
Due James H. Buzzell, note and interest	1,061 77
" Laura A. Weeks " "	106 24
" John G. Sanborn " "	3,500 00
" Joseph Maleham " "	1,175 00
" County of Carroll, for support of Harriet S. Cook 6 months	75 00
Will be due George H. Gage, when he settles Tax List for 1869	30 00
Will be due George H. Gage, when he settles Tax List for the year 1870	45 00
Whole amount of liabilities	<u>\$32,121 48</u>

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD BY MONEYS DUE.

Due from Isaac T. Clark, on Tax List for 1867	\$7 57
" " " 1868	85 99
" George H. Gage, " 1869	583 00
" " " 1870	2,994 00
" U. S. Government, for Bounties	2,938 00
In hands of Treasurer	884 94
	<u>\$7,493 50</u>
Amount of Liabilities	32,121 48
By moneys due the Town	7,493 50
Leaving balance against the Town of	<u>\$24,627 98</u>

RECAPITULATION.

To Paid, State Tax	\$2,202 00
“ County Tax	1,903 53
“ Schools	1,249 50
“ Town and County Paupers	702 13
“ Highways and Bridges	399 29
“ Notes, &c., Interest	15,804 97
“ Breaking Roads	1,267 90
“ Abatements	313 82
“ Religious Societies	53 73
“ Dog Tax Fund	36 00
“ Watering Troughs	12 00
“ Outstanding Road Bills	126 00
“ Printing and Stationery	87 57
“ Sundry Bills	624 90
“ Town Officers	231 90
Amount paid out	<hr/> \$25,015 24

RECEIVED.

By balance from Treasurer for the year 1869	799 37
Proceeds of Town Notes “	13,546 20
Received of William A. Maleham	56 64
“ Peter Sanborn, U. S. Bounty	62 40
“ “ Literary Fund	88 74
“ “ Savings Bank Funds	218 15
“ County of Carroll	415 00
“ Town of Milton	55 58
“ William Sawyer	28 74
“ Isaac T. Clark, for the year 1865	4 76
“ “ “ 1866	2 20
“ “ “ 1867	117 43
“ “ “ 1868	515 01
“ James Tucker, for Bridge Timber	27 50
“ George H. Gage, on Tax List for 1869	2,298 84
“ “ “ 1870	8,662 62
“ for use of Town Hall	1 00
	<hr/> \$25,900 18

Received	\$25,900 18
Paid out	25,015 24
In Treasury	<hr/> \$884 94

EBENEZER GARVIN, } Selectmen
 JAMES McN. COOK, } of
 JAMES TUCKER, } Wakefield.

MARCH 8th, 1871.

We, the subscribers, two of the Auditors of said Town of Wakefield, hereby certify that we have this day carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, and find them correctly cast, and fully vouched.

JOHN W. SANBORN,
 ALVAH H. SAWYER.

NAMES OF PAUPERS.

Louisa Nutter,
 Sally Philbrick, Daniel Quimby,
 Roxanna Jackson, Harriet S. Cook.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

TO THE CITIZENS OF WAKEFIELD.

In the history of the pilgrims of New England, who established our system of education, the past year has been a Jubilee year.

Two hundred and fifty years ago they planted their first colony at Plymouth. In a review of the work that was commenced with such heroism and faith, and that has been carried forward to such vast results, the inquiry was made, What honors can be conferred on the men who laid the foundations, on which their posterity have reared up such magnificent structures? Monuments and statues were not regarded as worthy to perpetuate their fame. It was thought that the churches, the seminaries of learning, and the schools they established, would constitute the best memorial of their wisdom, and their high achievements.

To crown such a memorial with a brighter lustre, liberal things were devised for these institutions. The year was signalized by large endowments, and princely benefactions, that were designed to increase their power for good, and raise them to a state of unwonted prosperity, and make them the glory of the nation. Who can estimate the blessings they have conferred in past time? Without such institutions, what can give security to the nation in the future? Let them be sustained and improved, not in regard to the principles on which they were established, but with reference to their practical operations, and they will become the admiration and joy of every Christian philanthropist, and inspire hope for the oppressed in every land. They will perpetuate the ennobling virtues of their founders to the latest generation. We are not sure that the public schools have received their due share of regard in the liberality which has given new life to some of the larger institutions. The schools are primary in their rank, but not last in their importance. They are the rills that fill the large fountains. They commence the work of cultivating youthful minds that may be matured in knowledge and virtue, and become pillars in the church and in the State. They need more liberal endowments.

They are, at least, worthy of the humbler offerings, the unceasing vigilance, the warm sympathies and prayers, which should be constant as the rain and dew of heaven. Cherished with such care, they will flourish.

Schools have been in operation, during some part of the year, in all the districts, and have performed their accustomed work with a good degree of success.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Summer Term.—Length 7 weeks; whole number of scholars, 22; average attendance, 18; instances of tardiness, 11; of dismissal, 12; not absent one-half day, 1. Teacher, Miss LIZZIE C. FARNUM. Miss Farnum taught the Summer term of this school last year with good success. It was found in a prosperous state at the commencement of the term. The committee was not present at the closing examination, being providentially prevented. We have been assured that the teacher gave good satisfaction, and that the scholars made very commendable improvement.

Winter Term.—Length, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 28; average attendance, 26; instances of tardiness, 58; of dismissal, 10; not absent one-half day, 9. Teacher, Mr. JAMES W. APPLEBEE. This teacher was successful in awakening an active interest in the operations of the school. His discipline was good, and his instruction thorough. He had some regard to the moral, as well as intellectual, improvement of his pupils. There was evidence in the examination of classes in arithmetic and grammar, that it had not been the teacher's object to conduct them over the largest space, but to enable them to understand and apply what was contained in their lessons. The average progress of the school was very good.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Summer Term.—Length, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 27; average attendance, 24; instances of tardiness, 46; of dismissal, 17; not absent one-half day, 3. Teacher, Miss LYDIA J. BENNETT. Miss Bennett conducted the exercises of her school with a manifest interest in behalf of her pupils, and with a due regard to good order. The progress, especially of some of the younger classes, was thought to be very good.

Winter Term. Length, 12 weeks; whole number of scholars, 40; average attendance, 37; instances of tardiness, 39; of dismissal, 20; not absent one-half day, 3. Teacher, Mr. CHARLES W. SANBORN. The number of scholars was somewhat increased during the winter term, by the attendance of children from families employed on the Railroad. Under the direction of an efficient teacher, who kept the winter term last year, this school made unusual progress. A class that had just finished the National Arithmetic, was found very prompt in the examination, and ready to solve, not only the problems in their text-book, but such as were given by their teacher, with a design to make their attainments available in practice. This class had also reviewed the intellectual arithmetic, and held themselves in readiness to solve any problem in that. The examination of other classes in arithmetic, grammar, geography, and reading, was necessarily very brief, but satisfactory. Three scholars attended to Geometry, and one to Latin. This school was partially interrupted several times, by the uncomfortable state of the house, occasioned by some defect in the chimney. In its present state, it is not fit to be used. Of this the committee and visitors had convincing proof at the examination. Every attempt to warm the house produced more smoke than heat. It is hoped, that before another school is commenced, some mechanic will be found who understands enough about the application of science to his art, to reconstruct this chimney so that it will send the smoke along in the right direction. It has already produced a great amount of discomfort, and marred the beauty of the house, so that it needs to be whitewashed and re-varnished. It is thought, also, that one or two rows of seats need to be exchanged for higher seats.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Summer Term.—Length, 6 weeks; whole number of scholars, 10; average attendance, 8; instances of tardiness, 26; of dismissal, 5; not absent one-half day, 2.

Fall Term.—Length, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 14; average attendance, 10; instances of tardiness, 68; of dismissal, 26; not absent one-half day, 1. Teacher of both terms, Miss MARY A. WENTWORTH. Miss Wentworth has had the experience of a course of years, and has taught several terms in this district before. She has become skillful in devising methods to awaken an interest in

her pupils, and promote their improvement, both with regard to their moral cultivation, and their attainments in knowledge. The average improvement of both terms was good. At the last examination, we found evidence of an unusual interest in the reading exercises, and of unusual progress. Good instruction was given in this very important part of a useful branch of education. The committee regard it as a part of their duty to keep this district informed that their school-house has not yet been furnished with the very necessary inside finish.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Summer Term.—Length, 6 weeks; whole number of scholars, 14; average attendance, 12; instances of tardiness, 52; of dismissal, 11; not absent one-half day, 3. Teacher, Miss MARY E. GARVIN. This was the third term this teacher has taught in her home-district with a good measure of success. Good order was maintained. The teacher sought to promote the best interests of her pupils with diligent and unwearied effort. Their progress was good for so short a term.

Fall Term.—Length, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 16; average attendance, 13; instances of tardiness, 53; of dismissal, 27; not absent one-half day, 0. Teacher, Miss LIZZIE F. WEEKS. A young teacher, who has not taught in our schools before, but who was successful in securing the affection of her pupils, and inspiring in them a desire to make improvement. Her discipline was good, and the progress of the school was very commendable.

DISTRICT No. 5.

One term, commencing 29th August and extending into Dec. Length, 17 weeks; whole number of scholars, 25; average attendance, 18; instances of tardiness, 74; of dismissal, 23; not absent one-half-day, 0. Teacher, Miss CHARLOTTE J. MALEHAM. By the accustomed promptness and energy of an experienced teacher, the operations of this school were sustained during the long term, with interest and with good results. Several scholars made very good progress; the average progress was commendable. This district make too high an estimate of their school house. It ought to be greatly improved, or give place to a new house.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Summer Term.—Length, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 16; average attendance, 14; instances of tardiness, 5; of dismissal, 2; not absent one-half day, 2.

Winter Term.—Length, 12 1-2 weeks; whole number of scholars, 17; average attendance, 15; instances of tardiness, 11; of dismissal, 6; not absent one-half day, 1. Teacher of both terms, Miss ROSE A. MERROW. As the same teacher was employed both terms and no notice of the commencement of the Winter term was given in due season, the committee visited the school but once. It was then found in a prosperous state. Both terms were made profitable. This teacher's method of giving instruction to the younger classes orally in the rudiments of grammar and geography, we think is worthy to be commended. It was referred to in the report of her school last year. It may be profitably improved by any teacher who has the tact to invent questions, and interest children.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Summer Term.—Length, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 19; average attendance, 14; instances of tardiness, 44; of dismissal, 18; not absent one-half day, 1. Teacher, Miss MARY C. WEEKS. This teacher very soon secured the confidence of her pupils, and awakened an interest in the exercises of the school, which resulted in good improvement. The discipline of the school was well sustained, and some particular attention was paid to the reading exercises. The evidence of progress was satisfactory.

Winter Term.—Length, 7 weeks; whole number of scholars, 21; average attendance, 16; instances of tardiness, 58; of dismissal, 3; not absent one-half day, 5. Teacher, Miss LIZZIE F. WEEKS. At the commencement of this term the committee found indications of a prosperous school. In consequence of a mistake in regard to the notice, it was not visited at its close, which was at noon. We travelled long miles only to be assured by one interested in the schools, that "the teacher had maintained good order, and kept a good school." When we look at both the external and internal aspect of the school house, we fear that some of the parents in this district have lost the enthusiastic interest with which this school was cherished years ago. But if their own children have passed away from the school, we will still be assured that they have not

lost all interest in an object of such general and vital importance, and that this house will very soon receive attention.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Summer Term.—Length, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars, 18; average attendance, 15; instances of tardiness, 31; of dismissal, 27; not absent one-half day, 6. Teacher, Miss LUCY A. HILL. She has been accredited with good success as the teacher in this school, three successive summer terms before. This has been secured by a prompt regard to good order, and an unwearied effort to awaken an interest in the instruction imparted. The closing examination was very satisfactory. There was evidence that all the different branches of study had received some due proportion of attention. It was thought the oldest class in grammar had received some accurate instruction, and had made unusually good improvement. After a short vacation, this teacher taught another term in this district sustained by private tuition.

Winter Term.—Length, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 28; average attendance, 15; instances of tardiness, 52; of dismissal, 0; not absent one-half day, 0. Teacher, Mr. FRED. B. SHOREY. This district received an accession from the new families connected with the Railroad. Some irregularity in attendance may have been occasioned in this way; but some of the older scholars were needed at home on account of railroad operations, and then a prevailing cold occasioned an interruption, and diminished the attendance, so that there was not a fair representation in the closing examination. The teacher is not responsible for such interruptions. His duty was discharged with a manifest interest in behalf of his pupils, and with good results.

DISTRICT No. 9.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Spring Term.—This term was commenced early in May, and continued 5 weeks, under the instruction of Miss ROSE M. HUTCHINS. It was visited the last week, and was found in a disordered state. There was somewhere a want of harmony between the teacher and pupils and parents, which prevented success. No teacher ought to be held responsible for all that is occasioned by outside influences.

Summer Term.—Length, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars, 29; average attendance, 24; instances of tardiness, 99; of dismissal, 15; not absent one-half day, 1.

Winter Term.—Length, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 32; average attendance, 28; instances of tardiness, 99; of dismissal, 39; not absent one-half day, 1. Teacher of both terms, Miss MARY C. WEEKS. A marked change was seen in the state of this school at the commencement of the Summer term. Good order was introduced and maintained, with a firm purpose. The teacher secured the respect and affection of her pupils, and directed the operations of the school with active interest during both terms. To control and instruct so large a number of young scholars, to measure the capacity of each, and start little adventurers in their pursuit after knowledge, requires unremitting toil and wisdom. The evidence of improvement, at the close of each term, was very commendable. A performance in music, by the school, added interest to the examination. It was successfully taught. We wish that it might be introduced into every school.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring Term.—This term was commenced and continued five weeks, under the instruction of Mr. GEORGE COTTON. He was found wanting in some essential qualifications in the teacher of such a school, and the term was brought summarily to a close.

Summer Term.—Length, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars, 23; average attendance, 20 1-4; instances of tardiness, 11; of dismissal, 36; not absent one-half day, 15.

Winter Term.—Length, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 21; average attendance, 18 2-5; instances of tardiness, 21; of dismissal, 46; not absent one-half day, 14. Teacher of both terms, Miss FLORENCE TWITCHELL. This school has a good record. Two-thirds of the whole number, during both terms, are credited with constant attendance. Miss Twitchell is a well qualified teacher, who had taught one short term previous to this engagement, with very good success. Under her control, a new interest was awakened in the various exercises of the Summer term, and with very good results. That interest was extended to the second term, and sustained with untiring fidelity. The instruction was thorough, and the average progress of improvement was very good. There was evidence at the examination that class A in Algebra had been

thoroughly drilled, and had made unusual progress, and also the first class in Grammar. 14 received instruction in Algebra; 1 in Geometry; 7 in History; 3 in Physiology; 3 in Rhetoric; and 1 in French. Music was practiced.

DISTRICT No. 10.

Summer Term.—Length, 5 weeks; whole number of scholars, 7; average attendance, 6; instances of tardiness, 1; of dismissal, 0; not absent one-half day, 6. Teacher, Miss FLORENCE TWITCHELL. In this small school, a new teacher, with varied attainments, found an opportunity to give instruction in Geometry, Physiology and Algebra, as well as the usual primary branches. The school was an example of good order, and a diligent improvement of time. Only one scholar has a mark for absence. The work of the teacher was faithfully performed, with unusually good results, and to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Winter Term.—Length, 6 4-5 weeks; whole number of scholars, 12; average attendance, 11; instances of tardiness, 2; of dismissal, 7; not absent one-half day, 3. Teacher, Mr. GEORGE H. GAGE. Mr. Gage has performed a useful service in the schools, for 15 years in succession. He kept an excellent school for this district. His discipline is firm, and his instruction is thorough and definite. The examination was sustained with interest and much credit. Some scholars in this school have made good attainments. We think this district have reason to be well satisfied with their schools the past year.

DISTRICT No. 11.

Summer Term.—Length, 6 weeks; whole number of scholars, 17; average attendance, 13 2-3; instances of tardiness, 10; of dismissal, 12; not absent one-half day, 10.

Winter Term.—Length, 12 1-2 weeks; whole number of scholars, 16; average attendance, 12; instances of tardiness, 10; of dismissal, 21; not absent one-half day, 15. Teacher of both terms, Miss ELLA A. BENSON. A new teacher, who was thought to be duly qualified. She made her first trial of skill in imparting instruction to children, in this school. As proof of her success during the first term, she was retained for the second. She preserved order, conducted the operations of the school and communicated

instruction with an increasing interest, during this term. There was evidence of good results.

Whole number of scholars during the year, 290; average attendance for the year, 195; whole amount appropriated to the schools, including what has been given in board, and contributed for private schools, \$1,539 51; amount appropriated for each scholar, \$5 30. No change has been made in the text-books. We think that the revised and abridged edition of Greenleaf's Arithmetics, in which the number of the series is reduced to three, should be chosen, as new books are wanted. The publishers have told us that some two years or more may be saved by using these revised books. It is very much to be regretted that this had not been found out before. Harper's Writing Books, containing patterns for drawing, have been introduced in several schools. We think they will be found very useful in all the schools.

The Committee are happy to give the assurance, that teachers generally have been found faithful to their trust. The schools compare favorably with those of past years. Some have been in advance of the past.

We have been gratified to witness such a degree of interest in the moral cultivation of their pupils, and in the improvement of their manners. Several teachers have manifested an ardent love for their work, and have performed it with an enthusiasm that has awakened a corresponding spirit in their pupils. Such teachers should, if possible, be retained in the service. The average length of the terms in the schools was a little increased. We are glad to be assured that a still larger amount will be appropriated to their support the present year. There is need of an increasing liberality. The average expenditure for each child of school age, in thirteen of the United States, the past year, was \$5 75. In Massachusetts, it was \$16 45; in Connecticut, \$10 29; in Illinois, \$7 83; in New York, \$6 83. Minnesota, a comparatively new state, has gone far in advance of New Hampshire. That state expended last year for school purposes, \$857,816 30. The average length of the terms in their schools, for both summer and winter, was over three months; the average wages paid to male teachers \$37 14 per month; females, \$23 36.

We know not to what extent citizens in our community have shared in the enthusiasm of the jubilee that has awakened such grateful acknowledgments, and resulted in such generous deeds;

and we will make no direct appeal to district classes, by whose agency the schools need to be sustained in more vigorous operation. This has been attempted in a variety of ways. Living as we do, amid such memorials of venerated ancestors, and enjoying the blessings they confer, *all* share a part in the responsibility, and all ought to be inspired with new zeal in a work which involves such interests. Our own field needs better cultivation; and then we are approaching a crisis which will demand resources that can be furnished only by that philanthropy, which extends beyond the narrow limits of home interests.

While the schools of every grade have been sustained and extended with such animated results in every part of the nation, and such a glorious work has been accomplished in behalf of the Freedmen of the South, in which, during the last five years, elementary instruction has been given to a million of that people, not including tens of thousands of parents and adults, who have been taught to read by the children, we have been almost ready to indulge the expectation that a millenium in our great enterprise was drawing near. But we are amazed at a recent assurance that there are within the limits of our nation, 4,843,568 children of school age not in the schools. That vast number are found, not among the Freedmen principally, but among a large foreign immigration. It results in part from the want of laws requiring attendance on the public schools. We are assured too, that there are whole counties in Delaware and other southern states, where there is no school house, no teacher, and no scholars. A large percentage of this almost incredible amount of destitution, is under the control of that foe of our system of education, who has plotted our defeat; and, sustained by the whole Romish hierarchy, it still makes the impious demand that the Bibles should be taken out of the schools. With imposing liberality, they have established seminaries in different parts of the land, and with artful devices, prepared a silken network to ensnare and draw into their enclosures, children and youth from protestant families, while at the same time, there is such a multitude of the children of their own kith and kin, for whose education they have made no provision. The revelation of such facts in regard to the accumulating millions, whose minds are becoming shrouded in ignorance, and contaminated with vice, furnishes just occasion for alarm. It is an evil of such magnitude as will tax the wisdom of statesmen and philanthropists. What can

be done to arrest its progress? By what agencies shall a work, involving such precious interests, be commenced? In such a mass of youthful minds, without the knowledge of the first rudiments of education, there is a field for the mission of the schools. There is no other agency so well adapted to meet the urgent necessity. It has already been commenced among the Freedmen; and it is maintained with very encouraging success. It must be extended in other directions, and sustained with an unyielding purpose. It is a work of Christian patriotism, in which there are no warlike achievements, that will secure the applause of the multitude. And yet in this mission of good will, there is a warfare to be maintained, not against any party or sect, but against ignorance and vice. The weapons to be used are light, and truth, and love; and though there are great difficulties, reproaches and discouragements to be encountered, Christian heroism, thus armed, will get the victory. It is a noble work, in which great sacrifices must be made, and in which a vast number of teachers will be required,—the very best forces of the nation, like some who have already gone to their post of duty, and are pursuing their work, perhaps unobserved and unhonored now, but sharing in the approval of heaven.

As in time past our schools, with their very limited advantages, have furnished some teachers, that have gone to wider fields, and performed an honorable service, so now let them be made successful in preparing more to meet the demand in the time coming. And while our sympathies are stirred in behalf of the youthful generation, in view of the responsibilities to which they are so fast approaching, let it be our renewed purpose, not only to provide for them the means of good intellectual attainments, but to take due care in regard to their moral and religious instruction. They live in the midst of the institutions of the pilgrims. It is their birth-right to enjoy the blessings they confer. May they be so instructed in all the principles of truth and duty, that the pilgrim's God may be their God, and that in every succeeding generation there shall be found those, who may be accounted their worthy successors.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL BARKER,
CHARLES A. VARNEY.

Wakefield, March 1, 1871.

